

## **COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS**

May 9, 2017

A meeting of the Committee on Ways and Means was held this date at 4:43 p.m.

### **PRESENT (12)**

The Honorable John J. Tecklenburg, Mayor

Councilmember White	District 1	Councilmember Waring	District 7
Councilmember Williams	District 2	Councilmember Seekings	District 8
Councilmember Lewis	District 3	Councilmember Shahid	District 9
Councilmember Mitchell	District 4	Councilmember Riegel	District 10
Councilmember Wagner - <i>absent</i>	District 5	Councilmember Moody	District 11
Councilmember Gregorie	District 6	Councilmember Wilson	District 12

#### **1. INVOCATION:**

The meeting was opened with an invocation provided by Councilmember White.

#### **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

On a motion of Councilmember Riegel, seconded by Councilmember Waring, City Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2017 meeting.

#### **3. BIDS AND PURCHASES**

On a motion of Councilmember Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Waring, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve the bids and purchases as follows:

#### **TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION: ACCOUNT: 230000-52022 APPROPRIATION: \$43,617**

Approval to purchase replacements for missing and damaged traffic signal pole bases and street light fixtures from Lighting Source, 906 Harden Street, Columbia, SC 29205.

#### **FIRE DEPARTMENT: ACCOUNT: 210000-52008 APPROPRIATION: \$106,140.13**

Approval to purchase (43) SCBA upgrade kits as part of a program planned to extend service

life, Rhinehart Fire Services, 22 Piney Park Road, Unit G, Asheville, NC 28806; Solicitation #17-B013S

**FLEET MANAGEMENT: ACCOUNT: 323000-58015 APPROPRIATION: \$321,562.20**

Approval to purchase five (5) 2017 Case 521G Z-Bar Wheel Loaders from Hills Machinery Company, 1014 Atlas Way, Columbia, SC 29209; SC Contract #5000013447. This purchase is funded partially from 2017 Lease Purchase funds and proceeds from sales of assets.

**4. POLICE DEPARTMENT: APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THE FY17 VOCA APPLICATION FOR A RESOURCE SPECIALIST AND ELDER ADVOCATE SALARY CONTINUATION, SUPPLIES, AND TRAINING FOR A TOTAL OF \$117,992. A CASH MATCH OF \$23,598 WOULD BE BUDGETED FOR 2018.**

On a motion of Councilmember Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve to submit the FY17 VOCA application for a resource specialist and Elder Advocate salary continuation, supplies, and training for a total of \$117,992.

**5. OFFICE OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS: APPROVAL TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD OF \$10,500 FROM THE NEA BIG READ. PROJECT FUNDS WILL BE USED FOR ARTISTIC FEES, BOOK PURCHASES AND PROGRAMMING EXPENSES. A CITY MATCH OF \$10,500 IS REQUIRED. THE MATCH WILL COME FROM THE 2017 MOJA ARTS FESTIVAL PENDING GRANT REQUESTS AND FROM PAID ADMISSIONS.**

Councilmember Wilson said she knew MOJA had struggled in the past, and she asked what the admissions were. Scott Watson, Director of Cultural Affairs, said it really depended which events the City controlled at the box office. For programs like Dance Theatre Harlem in partnership with the Gaillard Center, it was at full capacity. These programs were literary programs that were smaller in nature, so the majority of the funding that would go to the match would be from private donation. Councilmember Wilson said it would be great to see this festival blossom more or work in concert with other events that happened around this time. Mr. Watson said this would be in partnership with the library and the Avery Institute.

Chairman Moody said that at their last Real Estate Committee meeting, there were four or five items for events downtown, and the good news is that there are also events in West Ashley where there is free parking and free venues. Mr. Watson added that those locations did not require lease agreements which is why they did not have to go through the Real Estate Committee.

On a motion of Councilmember Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve to accept a grant award of \$10,500 from the NEA Big Read. Project funds will be used for artistic fees, book purchases and programming expenses.

**6. PARKS-CAPITAL PROJECTS: APPROVAL OF A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH WILDWOOD CONTRACTS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$93,497 FOR THE DEMOLITION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF THE MCMAHON BASKETBALL COURT. THE PROJECT WILL BE COMPLETED IN NINETY (90) DAYS. WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT BUDGET, STAFF IS AUTHORIZED TO AWARD AND/OR AMEND CONTRACTS LESS THAN \$40,000, TO THE EXTENT CONTINGENCY FUNDS EXIST IN THE COUNCIL APPROVED BUDGET. THE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT WILL OBLIGATE \$93,497 OF THE \$150,000 ALLOTTED FOR THE WORK FROM THE 2017 GENERAL MAINTENANCE FUNDING. THE FUNDING SOURCE FOR ALL GENERAL MAINTENANCE WORK IS THE 2017 GENERAL FUND (\$517,000).**

On a motion of Councilmember Riegel, seconded by Councilmember Lewis, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve a Construction Contract with Wildwood Contracts, Inc. in the amount of \$93,497 for the demolition and reconstruction of the McMahon Basketball Court.

**7. PARKS-CAPITAL PROJECTS: APPROVAL OF AN AID-TO-CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT AND PAYMENT TO SCE&G IN THE AMOUNT OF \$329,610 FOR PROVIDING AND INSTALLING UNDERGROUND WIRING AND APPURTENANCES FOR EIGHTEEN (18) 100 WATT METAL HALIDE CHARLESTON SERIES STYLE LUMINARIES MANUFACTURED BY HANOVER, MOUNTED ON EIGHTEEN (18) 11' BLACK ALUMINUM CHARLESTON SERIES ANCHOR BASE POLES ALONG MEETING STREET FROM CUMBERLAND STREET TO BROAD STREET. WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT BUDGET, STAFF IS AUTHORIZED TO AWARD AND/OR AMEND CONTRACTS LESS THAN \$40,000 TO THE EXTENT CONTINGENCY FUNDS EXIST IN THE COUNCIL APPROVED BUDGET. APPROVAL OF THIS ACTION WILL INSTITUTE A \$355,600 PROJECT BUDGET, OF WHICH THE \$329,610 AID-TO-CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT WILL BE FUNDED. THE FUNDING SOURCE FOR THIS PROJECT IS HOSPITALITY FUNDS (\$355,600).**

On a motion of Councilmember Gregorie, seconded by Councilmember Seekings, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve an Aid-to-Construction Agreement and payment to SCE&G in the amount of \$329,610 for providing and installing underground wiring and appurtenances for eighteen (18) 100 watt metal halide Charleston Series style luminaries manufactured by Hanover, mounted on eighteen (18) 11' black aluminum Charleston Series anchor base poles along Meeting Street from Cumberland Street to Broad Street.

**8. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF CHARLESTON AND GOVEX WHEREBY GOVEX THROUGH USE OF DATA AND EVIDENCE WILL PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO THE CITY ON CITY-WIDE PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT PROCESSES, WITH A FOCUS ON HOUSING AFFORDABILITY. THE FOCUS AREA IS TO IMPROVE THE EFFICACY OF THE CITY'S HOUSING AFFORDABILITY PERFORMANCE MEASURES. THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY GOVEX IS AT NO COST TO THE CITY. GOVEX WORK IS**

**FUNDED BY THE BLOOMBERG FAMILY FOUNDATION'S WHAT WORKS CITIES INITIATIVES.**

On a motion of Councilmember White, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Charleston and Govex whereby Govex through use of data and evidence will provide assistance to the City on City-wide performance management processes, with a focus on Housing Affordability.

**9. BUDGET FINANCE AND REVENUE COLLECTIONS: APPROVAL OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF CHARLESTON AND GPL WHEREBY GPL WILL PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO THE CITY ON RESEARCHING AND DEVELOPING CONTRACTING STRATEGIES AND OTHER PROCUREMENT BEST PRACTICES IN THE CITY'S WASTE MANAGEMENT PRACTICES. GPL WILL ASSIST THE CITY IN DRAFTING AN RFP FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT ON DANIEL ISLAND THAT INCORPORATES THE RESULTS OF THE RESEARCH AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF GPL. THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY GPL IS AT NO COST TO THE CITY. THE WORK IS FUNDED BY THE BLOOMBERG FAMILY FOUNDATION'S WHAT WORKS CITIES INITIATIVES. THIS IS AN AFTER-THE-FACT APPROVAL.**

Mayor Tecklenburg said he wanted to let everyone know how proud he was that Charleston had been selected by Bloomberg to participate in their What Works Cities Initiatives. He said they would be pairing the City with scholars and experts in various fields as time goes on, and the first two matters they would be helping the City with would be a procurement matter of how the City approached outsourcing for its garbage and waste pick-up on Daniel Island and expertise in setting the metrics and performance strategies for increasing affordable housing in the City in the long term. The agreements came at no charge to the City of Charleston. He had been invited to a meeting in October of What Works Cities. The contracts would fit well with the performance improvement process, and the City could utilize Bloomberg and their experts at no charge.

Councilmember Gregorie asked how long Bloomberg would take to do their reviews and if it would be in time to be included in the performance assessment. Mayor Tecklenburg confirmed. He said they were not intended to be long term. The agreement with Harvard would be just a matter of months, but the contract regarding affordable housing might take a little longer.

Councilmember Mitchell said Bloomberg came to Charleston during Hurricane Matthew, and they did a tour of different areas of the City. They were very interested in the City itself and wanted to get involved. Mr. Edward Jones and Mayor Tecklenburg had taken them on a tour of different housing complexes, and they wanted to see how they could make it better.

On a motion of Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilmember White, the Committee on Ways and Means voted unanimously to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between

the City of Charleston and GPL whereby GPL will provide assistance to the City on researching and developing contracting strategies and other procurement best practices in the City's waste management practices.

**10. THE COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE: (MEETING WAS HELD MAY 9, 2017 AT 4:00 P.M. AT CITY HALL, FIRST FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM, 80 BROAD STREET)**

- a. Request approval for the Mayor to execute the attached First Amendment to Memorandum of Understanding pertaining to the easements and other consideration relating to the development of the new road and related improvements at Bayview Soccer Center (TMS: 428-00-00-013 and 428-00-00-040; Fort Johnson Road). The property is owned by the City of Charleston.
- b. Authorize the Mayor to execute a Quit-Claim Deed to Melza R. Van Roijen pertaining to 88 Morris Street (TMS: 450-15-02-031) [Ordinance]. The property is owned by Melza R. Van Roijen.
- c. Consider the following annexation:

2240 Pinehurst Avenue (TMS# 358-15-00-023) 0.30 acre, West Ashley (District 2).  
The property is owned by Chris Mason.

Councilmember White, Chair of the Committee on Real Estate, reported that the Committee heard several items to include an amendment to an MOU for the Bayview Soccer Center, an authorization for the Mayor to execute a Quit Claim Deed on 88 Morris Street, and one annexation at 2240 Pinehurst Avenue. He reported that all items were approved unanimously.

On a motion of Councilmember Gregorie, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Committee on Ways and Means voted to adopt the Committee on Real Estate Report.

The Committee on Ways and Means recommended giving first reading to the following bills:

*An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute on behalf of the City a Quit-Claim Deed to Melza R. Van Roijen pertaining to property located at 88 Morris Street, TMS No. 450-15-02-031.*

*An ordinance to provide for the annexation of property known as 2240 Pinehurst Avenue (0.30 acre) (TMS# 358-15-00-023), West Ashley, Charleston County, to the City of Charleston, shown within the area annexed upon a map attached hereto and make it part of District 2. The property is owned by Chris Mason.*

There being no further business presented, the Committee on Ways and Means adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

Jennifer Cook  
Assistant Clerk of Council